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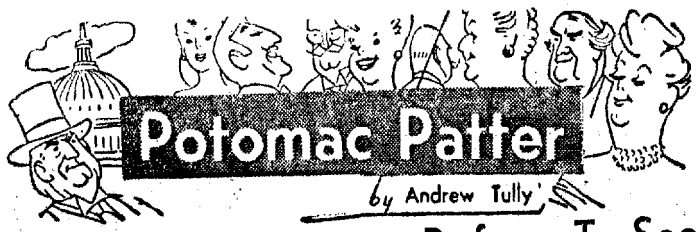

by Andrew Tully

Allen Dulles Never Refuses To See Anyone After Turning Down Lenin

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WASHINGTON—Allen W. Dulles, director of the hush-hush Central Intelligence Agency, claims that most of his time is spent talking to people—but he doesn't begrudge it. "I see everybody I can," he says, "because I still remember an experience I had during the first world war."

At that time, Mr. Dulles was a U. S. intelligence agent in Switzerland who dealt with many interesting characters. One day an aide told him about a bearded Russian writer he thought Mr. Dulles should interview.

But Mr. Dulles had a heavy schedule for the next few days and he decided to pass it up. He learned later that the writer was a man named Nicolai Lenin, who shortly left Switzerland to take over the revolution in Russia.

NOTE: Nobody knows how large a staff CIA has—estimates run from 8000 to 30,000. It has at least 30 buildings here and its budget, which is secret, is guessed by experts at $500,000,000 a year.

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